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SUBJ GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS IN STRAITS OF JUAN DE FUCA

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AS CONVEYED MAY 1 BY TELEPHONE TO DEPT (EUR/CAN), GOC
HAS GIVEN ITS APPROVAL TO GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS IN CANADIAN
WATERS BY R/V SONAR BELLE. CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL SPELLED
OUT IN EXTAFF NOTE DATED MAY 2, PERTINENT PORTIONS OF
WHICH FOLLOW: BEGIN QUOTE -

THE DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO THIS SURVEY BEING
CARRIED OUT ON CONDITION THAT THE INFORMATION COLLECTED
IS PROVIDED TO CANADA ACCORDING TO THE CRITERIA SPECIFIED
BELOW AND THAT CERTAIN OTHER REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.
THE GRAVITY MEASUREMENTS SHOULD BE SUPPLIED TO THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES WITH THE PRINCIPAL
FACTS (EXACT LOCATION, DEPTH, GRAVITY VALUE, POSSIBLE
ANOMALIES, AND OTHER INFORMATION AFFECTING THE QUALITY
OF THE READINGS) FOR ALL GRAVITY STATIONS OBSERVED IN
CANADIAN WATERS. THIS DATA SHOULD BE REDUCED USING
THE IGSN 71 ABSOLUTE GRAVITY NETWORK AND GRS 67 REFERENCE
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USED FOR THE WORK TOGETHER WITH THE SERIAL NUMBER OF

THE INSTRUMENTS AND THEIR CALIBRATION CONSTANT SHOULD ALSO BE PROVIDED. IN PROVIDING THE CALIBRATION CONSTANT FOR THE INSTRUMENT, IT SHOULD BE INDICATED WHEN AND WHERE IT WAS LAST CALIBRATED. ALL THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE COMPLETION OF THE SURVEY, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE SHOULD BE ADVISED WHEN THE INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE. THAT DEPARTMENT (DIRECTOR OF CARTOGRAPHY) SHOULD ALSO BE INFORMED AS TO THE ACTUAL DATES THE R/V SONAR BELLE WILL BE OPERATING IN CANADIAN WATERS.

BECAUSE MANY OF THE SELECTED GRAVITY STATIONS ARE IN OR NEAR THE SHIP ROUTES IN JUAN DE FUCA STRAIT AND THE STRAIT OF GEORGIA, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES SHOULD BE FOLLOWED IN ADDITION TO THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING COLLISIONS AT SEA AND THE APPLICABLE CANADIAN REGULATIONS: A) THE SURVEY VESSEL SHOULD MAKE MAXIMUM APPLICABLE USE OF BRIDGE-TO-BRIDGE VHF RADIO TELEPHONE AND MAINTAIN A CONTINUOUS LISTENING WATCH ON CHANNEL 16 AND THE APPROPRIATE VESSEL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SECTOR FREQUENCY; AND B) THE VESSEL SHOULD GIVE REGULAR POSITION REPORTS DURING THE OPERATION SO THAT FREQUENT NOTICES TO SHIPS CAN BE BROADCASTED BY THE COASTAL RADIO STATIONS AND THE VESSEL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

IN ADDITION, THE SHIP MUST OBTAIN A WAIVER OF PART IV OF THE CANADA SHIPPING ACT AND REMISSION OF DUTY BEFORE COMMENCING OPERATION. ALSO PRIOR TO OPERATING, THE VESSEL MUST BE SURVEYED AND CERTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NON-CANADIAN SHIPS SAFETY ORDER. INFORMATION AS TO HOW THESE TWO REQUIREMENTS SHOULD BE MET HAS BEEN PASSED TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BY THE DIRECTORATE OF CARTOGRAPHY. END QUOTE.
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